

REMARKS

In response to the Office action dated September 7, 2005, applicant has amended the claims to overcome the various rejections.

Claims 1, 3-14 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 8, 27, and 30 of co-pending Application No. 09/821,932. A Terminal Disclaimer is filed herewith to overcome this rejection.

Claims 15, 16, and 20 are cancelled without prejudice.

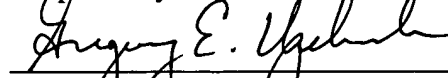
Claims 18 has been rewritten per the Examiner's instructions to include all of the limitations of the base claim, claim 15, so as to make claim 18 allowable. Claim 19 has been amended to depend from claim 18.

In view of the above, all the rejections have been successfully overcome.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 08-3460.

Applicants respectfully request that a Notice of Allowance of claims 1, 3-14 and 18-19 (all of the remaining claims pending in this case) be issued.

Respectfully submitted,



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